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In re Patent Application of

Viet LE et al.

Application No.: 08/923,461

Filed: September 4, 1997

For:

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR

MODULAR MULTIPLEXING AND AMPLIFICATION IN A MULTI-

CHANNEL PLAN

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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- [] A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- [] A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [] \$55.00 (248) [] \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
- [] Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the
 - [] \$345.00 (201) [] \$690.00 (101) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
 - [] Applicant(s) previously submitted ___, on ___, for which continued examination is requested.
- [] A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.
- [X] No additional claim fee is required.

[] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

	No. Of Claims	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims		MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (103) =	0
Independent Claims		MINUS 3 =	0	× \$78.00 (102) =	
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Total Amendment Fee					
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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 is hereby made. Please change any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-1070 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1070. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.110

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated July 17, 2000, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.116, the Examiner's approval is respectfully requested to amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

In claim 30, line 2, delete "multiplexing" and replace with -- multiplexing/demultiplexing--.

In claim 33, line 2, delete the first and second occurrences of "multiplexing" and replace with -- multiplexing/demultiplexing--.

